



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

ST JOHN'S ELEMENTARY

Darlington

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 646

Principal: Jean B. Taylor

Superintendent: Dr. Rainey Knight

Board Chair: Connell Delaine

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2010	Average	Good	TBD	TBD	Met	N/A
2009	Average	Average	N/A	Silver	Met	CA-DELAY
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

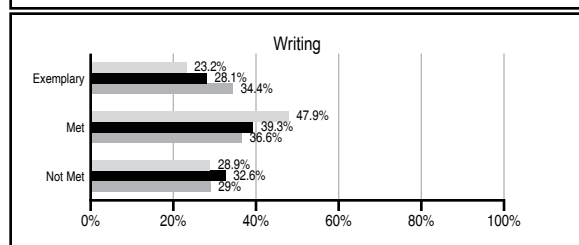
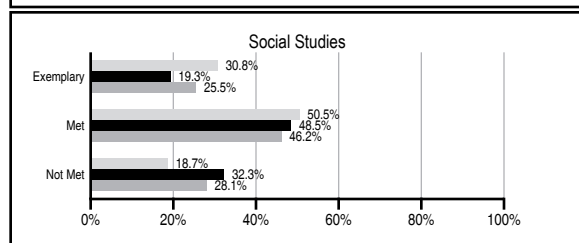
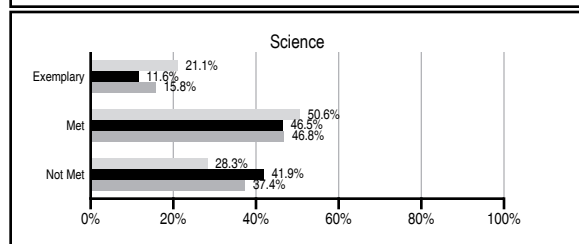
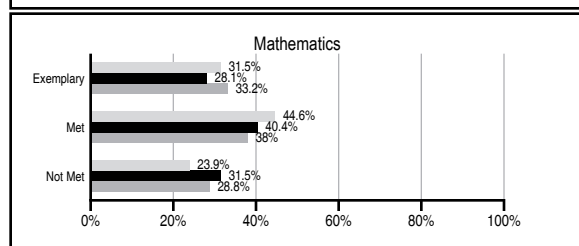
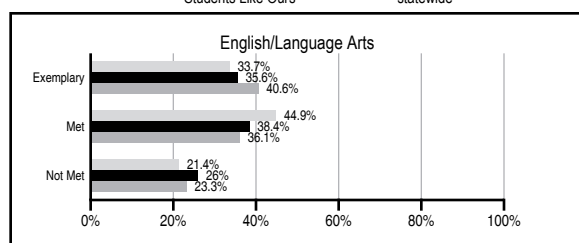
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
2	13	99	11	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/09/2011. Schools with Students Like Ours are Elementary Schools with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PASS PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=646)				
Retention rate	3.8%	Down from 3.9%	1.5%	1.2%
Attendance rate	95.6%	Down from 96.1%	95.7%	96.1%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.6%	Up from 3.0%	9.8%	11.7%
With disabilities other than speech	6.8%	Down from 9.7%	9.0%	8.0%
Older than usual for grade	0.8%	Down from 1.0%	0.5%	0.4%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0%	Down from 0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=38)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	55.3%	Up from 48.8%	60.0%	60.5%
Continuing contract teachers	84.2%	Up from 74.4%	85.7%	84.6%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	84.7%	Up from 82.2%	87.5%	87.0%
Teacher attendance rate	94.8%	Up from 94.4%	94.8%	95.4%
Average teacher salary*	\$47,190	Up 2.4%	\$46,780	\$47,288
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Professional development days/teacher	15.9 days	Up from 15.7 days	11.2 days	10.5 days
School				
Principal's years at school	19.0	Up from 18.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	20.8 to 1	Down from 22.9 to 1	19.3 to 1	19.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	89.4%	Down from 89.8%	89.6%	90.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%
Character development program	Average	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil**	\$6,405	Down 7.6%	\$7,606	\$7,548
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	66.1%	Down from 70.1%	67.5%	68.7%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	63.9%	Down from 65.8%	64.5%	65.1%
% of AYP objectives met	100.0%	No Change	100.0%	100.0%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	36	102	70
Percent satisfied with learning environment	94.4%	91.0%	78.8%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0%	95.0%	85.1%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	77.8%	86.0%	77.3%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

St. John's Elementary, a Title I school, had a productive 2009-2010 school year. The school worked collaboratively with parents and the community to promote excellence in academics, athletics, attendance, attitude, and the arts. Balanced literacy instruction, Read Well and Soar to Success literacy groups, workstations, math RIT band groups, Accelerated Reader, Waterford, Wilson, Success Maker and Compass Lab programs encouraged our students to become independent readers and mathematicians. Fifty-two students were invited to attend the All A Banquet. Honor Roll students were recognized quarterly. Twenty-five fifth grade students were inducted into the Junior Beta Club. Thirty-one students had perfect attendance during the 2009-2010 school year. Individual third, fourth, and fifth grade students and kindergarten, first, and second grade classes participated in the annual science fair. A fifth grade student earned the State Writing Award. Over 200 students were inducted into the Principal's Reading Honor Roll. The student body supported the community by sponsoring the annual Christmas Canned Food Drive, the St. Jude's Math-a-thon, and the local Humane Society. Student Council Officers assisted during quarterly Spirit Day Assemblies. Student Marshals and the Flag Corp Team helped to develop students' leadership skills. The Annual Fall Festival, Spring Talent Show, and May Day celebrations provided opportunities for community involvement and participation.

Summer staff development ELA sessions helped teachers to transition to the workstation model. District-led ELA, math, and science sessions throughout the school year strengthened teacher knowledge and instruction of the standards. The school-wide PBIS Model continued to acknowledge and positively shape appropriate student behavior. Jennifer Long was selected Teacher of the Year; Georgia McNeil was chosen as Assistant of the Year; and Patricia Boatwright was selected as Educator of the Year. Morning math and reading tutorial services were provided to students. After-school Supplemental Educational Services (SES) were provided for identified K-5 students. Two computer labs provided daily ELA and math sessions for targeted students in grades 1-5.

St. John's Elementary made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the 2008-2009 school year with an Improvement Rating of Average and Absolute Rating of Average. St. John's Elementary also earned a Palmetto Silver Award from the State Department of Education for excellent results in closing the Achievement Gap. The Association of Parents and Teachers completed the Playground Project through a variety of fundraising activities. The School Improvement Council and numerous business partners worked collaboratively to improve the school. St. John's Elementary continues its tradition of excellence serving the Darlington Community since 1818.

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Martha M. Bridgeman, SIC Chairperson

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